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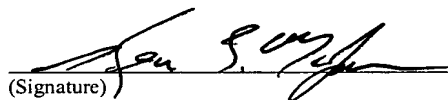
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**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 7, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks. Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal on July 7, 2004, and the due date for filing the appeal brief was September 7, 2004. Accordingly, Applicant hereby petitions for a 2-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), extending the due date for response to November 7, 2004. Our check No. 344881 in the amount of \$430.00, the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for the 2-month extension of time accompanies this response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due, or credit any overpayment, to the account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to Matter No. 19763-82069.

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